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DEPARTMENT HAS REVIEWED DRAFT GNZ COMMUNIQUE AND PROPOSES
FOLLOWING REVISED TEXT: QUOTE:

1. THE ANZUS COUNCIL HELD ITS 26TH MEETING IN WELLINGTON
ON 27 AND 28 JULY 1977. THE HON. ANDREW S. PEACOCK,
MINISTER OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REPRESENTED AUSTRALIA;
MR. WARREN M. CHRISTOPHER, DEPUTY SECRETARY OF STATE,
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REPRESENTED THE UNITED STATES; AND THE RIGHT HON.
B. E. TALBOYS, DEPUTY PRIME MINISTER AND MINISTER OF
FOREIGN AFFAIRS, REPRESENTED NEW ZEALAND.

2. THE COUNCIL DISCUSSIONS WERE CONDUCTED, AS IN PREVIOUS
YEARS, IN AN INFORMAL ATMOSPHERE ENABLING MINISTERS TO
EXCHANGE VIEWS FREELY AND GAIN A FULLER APPRECIATION OF

EACH COUNTRY'S APPROACH TO A WIDE RANGE OF FOREIGN POLICY MATTERS. THE MINISTERS RECOGNIZED THE ENDURING VALUE OF REGULAR COUNCIL SESSIONS.

3. THE COUNCIL ACKNOWLEDGED THAT THE THREE COUNTRIES' COMMON COMMITMENT TO DEMOCRATIC INSTITUTIONS, TO THE RULE OF LAW AND TO RESPECT FOR THE BASIC RIGHTS AND FREEDOMS OF PEOPLE HAD BEEN CENTRAL AND ESSENTIAL ELEMENTS IN THE FRANK CONSULTATIONS THAT HAD TAKEN PLACE AMONG THEM SINCE THE FORMATION OF THE ALLIANCE. THE ANZUS PARTNERS UNDERTOOK TO CONTINUE TO WORK TOGETHER TO PROMOTE THEIR SHARED INTERESTS AND TO FULFILL THE PURPOSES OF THE TREATY.

4. THE UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVE OUTLINED THE NEW ADMINISTRATION'S VIEWS ON INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS, ON THE ROLE OF THE UNITED STATES, AND ON VARIOUS ATTEMPTS TO EASE TENSIONS IN DIFFERENT PARTS OF THE WORLD. THE COUNCIL ATTACHED IMPORTANCE TO THE CURRENT STRATEGIC ARMS LIMITATION TALKS BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE SOVIET UNION, AND THE MINISTERS UNDERLINED THE CONTINUING NEED TO PREVENT THE PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS. THEY CALLED ON ALL COUNTRIES TO ACCEDE TO THE NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY AND LOOKED AHEAD TO THE FURTHER LIMITATION OF NUCLEAR TESTING UNDER A COMPREHENSIVE TEST-BAN TREATY. THE FORTHCOMING UNITED NATIONS SPECIAL SESSION ON DISARMAMENT WAS SEEN BY THE COUNCIL AS AN CONFIDENTIAL

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OPPORTUNITY FOR A SERIOUS ATTEMPT BY ALL NATIONS TO REDUCE THE RISK OF INTERNATIONAL CONFLICT.

5. THE COUNCIL'S REVIEW OF WORLD DEVELOPMENTS INCLUDED A CLOSE LOOK AT THE GLOBAL ECONOMIC SITUATION. THEY REAFFIRMED THE INTENTION OF THEIR GOVERNMENTS TO FOSTER INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC COOPERATION. THE MINISTERS REITERATED THEIR COMMITMENT TO MAINTAINING THE FLOW OF ASSISTANCE TO THE DEVELOPING WORLD AND TO PLAYING A CONSTRUCTIVE PART IN INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS TO BRING ABOUT A MORE EQUITABLE AND SOUNDLY BASED WORLD ECONOMIC ORDER. THIS WAS ACKNOWLEDGED AS A VITAL FACTOR IN ESTABLISHING AN INTERNATIONAL CLIMATE CONDUCIVE TO GENERAL ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL BETTERMENT AND ULTIMATELY TO LASTING PEACE. THEY RECALLED THEIR PLEDGE IN THE CONTEXT OF THE JUNE OECD MINISTERIAL MEETING TO WORK TOGETHER TOWARDS A SUSTAINED EXPANSION OF THE WORLD ECONOMY.

6. DISCUSSION OF THE GLOBAL SITUATION ALSO NOTED DEVELOPMENTS IN THE MIDDLE EAST AND AFRICA AS WELL AS IN RECENT UNITED STATES NEGOTIATIONS WITH THE SOVIET UNION ON THE SUPERPOWERS' MILITARY PRESENCE IN THE INDIAN OCEAN. THE

MINISTERS WERE AGREED ON THE DESIRABILITY OF AVOIDING AN ARMS BUILDUP IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AND AGREED FURTHER THAT ANY ARMS LIMITATION AGREEMENT MUST BE BALANCED IN ITS EFFECTS AND NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT THE SECURITY INTERESTS OF THE ALLIANCE.

7. THE COUNCIL MEMBERS NOTED THAT THEIR GOVERNMENTS SHARE A SPECIAL INTEREST IN RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN THE ASIA/PACIFIC REGION AND THE PROMOTION OF STABILITY IN THE AREA. WHILE CONSCIOUS OF REMAINING SOURCES OF POTENTIAL CONFLICT, THE MINISTERS CONSIDERED THAT THERE WERE REASONABLE PROSPECTS FOR THE MAINTENANCE OF PEACE IN ASIA. THE SUPPORT OF THE US-JAPAN SECURITY RELATIONSHIP WAS NOTED IN THIS CONNECTION, AS WERE THE CONTRIBUTIONS WHICH
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THE PEOPLE'S REPUBLIC OF CHINA WAS ABLE TO MAKE. THE MINISTERS ALSO OBSERVED THAT THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA IS ASSUMING A GREATER PART OF THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR ITS OWN DEFENSE. THE COUNCIL WAS CONFIDENT THAT THE IMPRESSIVE ECONOMIC ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA, THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE ROK ARMED FORCES AND THE CONTINUING SUPPORT TO BE PROVIDED BY THE UNITED STATES WOULD SAFEGUARD THE MILITARY BALANCE ON THE KOREAN PENINSULA.

8. THE MINISTERS DISCUSSED AT SOME LENGTH THE CURRENT STATE OF RELATIONS AMONG THE COUNTRIES OF SOUTHEAST ASIA, INCLUDING DEVELOPMENTS IN BILATERAL RELATIONSHIPS BETWEEN VIETNAM AND SEVERAL MEMBERS OF THE ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS (ASEAN). THE COUNCIL WAS IMPRESSED BY ASEAN'S ACHIEVEMENTS AS A BROADLY BASED REGIONAL INSTITUTION AND BY THE GROWING SELF-RELIANCE OF INDIVIDUAL ASEAN STATES. THE MINISTERS WELCOMED THESE DEVELOPMENTS AS MAKING A TANGIBLE CONTRIBUTION TO INTERNATIONAL STABILITY.

9. THE LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS OF REGIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE SOUTH PACIFIC WERE ALSO NOTED BY THE COUNCIL, INCLUDING THE FORMATION OF THE PACIFIC FORUM SHIPPING LINE. IT WAS RECALLED THAT SINCE THE LAST COUNCIL SESSION SOUTH PACIFIC MATTERS HAD BEEN THE SUBJECT OF A USEFUL MEETING OF ANZUS OFFICIALS. THE MINISTERS CONFIRMED THAT ALL THE ANZUS PARTNERS WERE KEEN TO PROMOTE THE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OF THE SOUTH PACIFIC AND NOTED RECENT INCREASES IN DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE TO THE REGION. COUNCIL MEMBERS COMMENTED THAT SOUTH PACIFIC COUNTRIES COULD EXPECT CONTINUED SUPPORT FROM THE ANZUS PARTNERS ON A BILATERAL AND REGIONAL BASIS. THE MINISTERS LOOKED FORWARD TO COOPERATION WITH SOUTH PACIFIC NATIONS IN NEW
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AREAS SUCH AS THE MANAGEMENT AND DEVELOPMENT OF MARINE RESOURCES.

10. THE COUNCIL MEMBERS REFERRED TO THE CONTINUING PROGRAM OF COMBINED EXERCISES AND TRAINING EXCHANGES ORGANIZED BY THE DEFENSE FORCES OF MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND NOTED THE POSITIVE CONTRIBUTION THESE MADE TO THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THEIR ARMED FORCES. THE AUSTRALIAN AND NZ REPRESENTATIVES REFERRED TO THE AGREEMENT REACHED IN CANBERRA ON 28 APRIL BETWEEN THEIR DEFENSE MINISTERS ON THE QUESTION OF INCREASED FUTURE DEFENSE COOPERATION, WHICH THE COUNCIL SAW AS FURTHER STRENGTHENING THE OVERALL ANZUS PARTNERSHIP.

11. THE COUNCIL MEMBERS REAFFIRMED THE HIGH VALUE EACH ATTACHES TO THE ANZUS ALLIANCE AND TO THE FRAMEWORK WHICH IT CONTINUES TO PROVIDE FOR MAINTAINING THE CLOSEST OF RELATIONS AMONG THE ANZUS PARTNERS. IN STATING THEIR CONCERN THAT THE ASIA/PACIFIC REGION SHOULD DEVELOP IN SUCH A WAY AS TO BRING PEACE AND PROSPERITY TO THE AREA, THE MINISTERS AGREED TO CONSULT REGULARLY ON MATTERS OF COMMON INTEREST. END QUOTE.

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